



Field Office Manager's Message:

I am pleased to provide you a copy of the latest revision of the National Transuranic (TRU) Waste Management Plan. Throughout the past year, the Carlsbad Field Office (CBFO) has worked closely with DOE waste generator sites, Headquarters, and contractors to confirm detailed plans and schedules for permanently disposing of the TRU waste left from the production of nuclear weapons. In addition, issues identified by public and private stakeholders, such as the Western Governors' Association, governor-appointed representatives in southern states, the National Research Council, and others are addressed.

The DOE created the National TRU Program (NTP) Office in 1997 to lead the nation's TRU waste management efforts. The Plan presents the NTP vision, mission, goals, and objectives for management of the National TRU System. In addition, the Plan illustrates the baseline, or current plans, regarding waste management activities throughout the National TRU System. Finally, as indicated in the Plan, the DOE has initiatives underway to optimize the National TRU System to make it safer, more efficient, and more cost effective.

As a measure of accountability, the CBFO will publish a quarterly supplement to the Plan to update progress against the baseline schedules as well as status of projects in support of the optimization effort. The Plan itself will be revised annually to update baseline waste disposal plans and schedules and to reflect implementation of new initiatives.

This Plan is an important first step toward accomplishing the DOE's commitment to the cleanup of TRU waste from around the country. If you have questions or feedback regarding the Plan, please send your input to Mr. John VandeKraats of my staff at <mailto:VandekJ@wipp.carlsbad.nm.us> or call him at (505) 234-7478.

Sincerely,

Dr. Inés R. Triay, Manager
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The National TRU Waste Management Plan



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Specific changes from Revision 1 of the National TRU Waste Management Plan have not been highlighted or otherwise marked in this Revision 2 because the entire document has been rewritten.



Manager, Carlsbad Field Office

Date: 1-4-01



Deputy Assistant Secretary for Integration
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Date: 12-22-00

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